Case No. <u>7948/16</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Lutz Biedermann et al.

Serial No: 10/660,452

Filed: September 11, 2003

For: INTERVERTEBRAL DISK
        PROSTHESIS

Examiner: David H. Willse

Group Art Unit: 3738

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

         This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to <u>Office Communication</u> dated <u>June 26, 2006</u> for a period of <u>one</u> month(s).

☒   Applicant:

      ☐   claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

      ☒   is other than small entity.
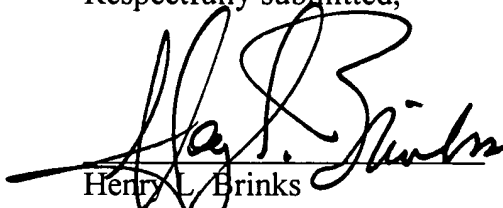
	Extension Months	Other Than Small Entity	Small Entity
☒	One Month	$120.00	$60.00
☐	Two Months	$450.00	$225.00
☐	Three Months	$1,020.00	$510.00
☐	Four Months	$1,590.00	$795.00
☐	Five Months	$2,160.00	$1,080.00

Fee Payment

☒ Attached is a check for $<u>120</u> for the Petition fee.

☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for $_____ for the Petition fee.

☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: _____ October 26, 2006

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